

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA**

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Raids by ED
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Enforcement Directorate (ED) has conducted raids and arrested persons indulged in violation of concerned law/rules, recently in the country;
- (b) if so, the details thereof along with person arrested;
- (c) the number of such raids conducted by the Enforcement Directorate in the country during the last three years and the current year, State/UT-wise; and
- (d) the steps being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE
(SHRI JAYANT SINHA)

(a) : Yes, Sir.

(b) : The Enforcement Directorate conducts searches during the course of investigations under Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999(FEMA) and Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA). The Enforcement Directorate can also arrest persons in connection with investigations under PMLA. During the last three calendar years and current year, the Enforcement Directorate has conducted 610 searches under FEMA and PMLA and has arrested 42 persons.

(c) & (d) : Details of State/UT wise number of searches conducted by the Enforcement Directorate under FEMA and PMLA during the last three calendar years and current year are given in Annexure.